

DIRECTION 108  
CORRECTION OF NAME NO 2087 IN THE OFFICIAL LIST  
OF SPECIFIC NAMES IN ZOOLOGY: FOR  
*MUREX STRIATA* GMELIN, 1791, READ *VOLUTA STRIATA*  
GMELIN, 1791

RULING – It is hereby directed that that part of the Ruling in Opinion 740 that concerns Name Number 2087 in the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology is to be amended as follows:

For *striata*, *Murex*, Gmelin, 1791, read *striata*, *Voluta*, Gmelin, 1791.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.) 1521

In January 1975 Dr Walter Cernohorsky (*Auckland Museum, New Zealand*) drew attention to an error in Opinion 740 whereby the name of a species of MURICIDAE had been placed on the Official List instead of the name of a species of VOLUTIDAE (Gastropoda): *Murex striatus* Gmelin, 1791, *Syst. Nat.* ed. 13, vol. 1, p. 3530 (wrongly spelt *striata*) in error for *Voluta striata* Gmelin, 1791, *Syst. Nat.* ed. 13, vol. 1, p. 3455. Dr Harald Rehder, the original applicant in the case that resulted in Opinion 740 was told, and immediately confirmed Dr Cernohorsky's impression. He prepared a note which was sent to the printer on 16 May 1975 and published on 22 September 1975 in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 32, p. 143. No use of the plenary powers was involved. No comments were received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 20 August 1979 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1979)8 for or against Dr Rehder's proposal. At the close of the voting period on 20 November 1979 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes – nineteen (19) received in the following order: Melville, Vokes, Holthuis, Alvarado, Hahn, Mroczkowski, Willink, Trjapitzin, Tortonese, Sabrosky, Welch, Brinck, Bernardi, Bayer, Habe, Corliss, Nye, Cogger, Heppell

Negative Votes – none (0).

Dupuis voted to postpone the matter (his comment is quoted below). Late affirmative votes were sent in by Kraus, Halvorsen and Starobogatov. Ride was on leave of absence. No vote was returned by Binder.

The following comments were returned by members of the Commission with their voting papers:

*Dupuis*: 'Si l'Opinion 740, qui pêche par un point mineur, doit être amendée, il est évident que l'Opinion 1029, qui pêche par plusieurs points de fait, doit l'être aussi. Donc, si les remarques Dupuis-Lescure du 21 mai 1976 concernant l'Opinion 1029 sont publiées avant ou en même temps que l'amendement ici proposé pour l'Opinion 740, je vote pour cet amendement. Sinon, je vote l'ajournement jusqu'à ce que la Commission ait été également et publiquement saisie des amendements factuels proposés à ses Opinions.' [Letters from the Secretary to Professor Dupuis dated 1 June 1976 and 23 May 1977 and discussing Opinion 1029 have not yet been answered. R.V.M.]

*Heppell*: 'This is a matter of fact, not opinion. The Commission should not have to be asked whether or not to correct an obvious error in the factual component of a Ruling.'

#### ORIGINAL REFERENCE

The original reference to the correct name now entered on an Official List by the present Ruling is:

*strioia*, *Voluta*, Gmelin, 1791, *Syst. Nat.* ed. 13, vol. 1, p. 3455.

#### CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on V.P.(79)8 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that voting paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Direction 108.

R.V. MELVILLE

Secretary

*International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature*

London

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